

The bill entitled, an act to authorise Andrew McLaughlin, to distribute his estate by lot, passed by the senate on yesterday, was returned to the house of delegates.

Mr. Hughlett submitted the following message,

Which was read and adopted:

By the Senate,

February 20th, 1854.

Gentlemen of the House of Delegates,

We propose with the concurrence of your Honorable body to request his Excellency the Governor to attend in the Senate Chamber, at the hour of five o'clock on Friday evening the 21st inst. to sign such laws as have been passed during the present session of the General Assembly.

We have appointed Messrs. Hughlett and Claude, to join such gentlemen as may be named on the part of your honorable body to perform the duty indicated in this message.

By order,

Joseph H. Nicholson, Clk.

Mr. Sappington presented the memorial of Sarah M. Lawrence and her children praying an act may pass for their relief.

Which was read and referred to the committee on judicial proceedings.

Mr. Sappington presented the petition of Wm. Gowins, accompanied with the prayer of Adam Lorentz, John Young and others, citizens of Frederick in his behalf.

Which was read and referred to the committee on colored population.

The President announced the order of the day, being